

# BRAC Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities -- No. 501000

Category  
Subcategory  
Administering Agency  
Planning Area

Transportation  
Pedestrian Facilities/Bikeways  
Transportation  
Bethesda-Chevy Chase

Date Last Modified  
Required Adequate Public Facility  
Relocation Impact  
Status

July 01, 2009  
Yes  
None.  
Planning Stage

## EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY08	Rem. FY08	Total 6 Years	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design, and Supervision	750	0	0	750	0	750	0	0	0	0	0
Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

Federal Aid	750	0	0	750	0	750	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### DESCRIPTION

This project provides for the planning and preliminary engineering of a bikeway network and addition of pedestrian facilities surrounding the National Naval Medical Center (NNMC) in Bethesda, Maryland due to Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC).

The BRAC study will analyze connectivity, smooth transition to the transportation pedestrian and bicycle network, preliminary engineering for the facilities, and a signing bicycling plan within adjacent neighborhoods. A review of the site and local master plans for impacts to pedestrians, bicycles and the requirements of the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act of 1991) will be performed and addressed by this project. It will include provisions to provide additional safe pedestrian/bicycle facilities such as master planned bike paths, sidewalks, signing, pavement markings, lighting, bus stop pads, minor landscaping, and other pertinent issues to ensure pedestrian and bicycle safety.

The final scope of work will be coordinated with local communities and property owners before final design and construction plans are developed for the following components:

1. East and West Cedar Lane Bike Path SR-54 [Old Georgetown Road to Beach Drive] - The off road bike path for the north side of East Cedar Lane begins at Wisconsin Avenue (MD 355) and ties to an existing path which continues to Beach Drive. The off-road bike path for the south sides of West Cedar Lane begins at Old Georgetown Road (MD 187) and continues to Wisconsin Avenue (MD 355).
2. Battery Lane Area Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements [Battery Park-MD 355] and Glenbrook Parkway Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety Improvements [MD 355 to Jones Bridge Road] - Both projects will provide improved safety on existing sidewalks and bike paths with provisions for sidewalk repairs, lighting and improved directional signing.
3. Wisconsin Avenue (MD 355) SP-62 [East Cedar Lane to Jones Bridge Road] - This project provides an off-road bike path along the east side, as a relocation or expansion of the existing sidewalk.
4. Jones Bridge Road BL-9 [MD 355 to Naval Uniformed Services Univ. of the Health Sciences Entrance at 4301 Jones Bridge Road] - This project provides 5 foot wide bike lanes along the north and south side of Jones Bridge Road or an off road bike path.

### CAPACITY

The implementation of this grant will provide a specific program for improved and safer access to the National Naval Medical Center (NNMC) campus by adding bicycle and pedestrian routes.

### JUSTIFICATION

The 2005 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) recommendations moved to establish the new Walter Reed National Military Medical Center (WRNMMC) to be a tri-service military medical center located on the Bethesda, Maryland campus of the present National Naval Medical Center (NNMC) by September 2011. Specific changes at the realigned Bethesda campus will include construction and renovation of approximately 2,400,000 square feet of clinical hospital and administrative space where approximately 2,200 additional medical and administrative personnel from the Army and Air Force will join the staff. The additional jobs created and medical services provided will have impact on the transportation infrastructure. Federal money has been granted to the County to plan and study priority alternative transportation mode improvements and safe pedestrian and bicycle facilities for citizens residing in surrounding urban neighborhoods and persons commuting to the site.

### OTHER

A pedestrian safety analysis has been completed for this project.

### FISCAL NOTE

The County's funding match requirement of \$92,740 will be met by contributions from existing County staff whose personnel costs are already appropriated in the FY10 Operating Budget. The FY10 special appropriation request is in accordance with the Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA) Department of Defense

### APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA

Date First Appropriation	FY10	(\$000)
First Cost Estimate	FY10	750
Current Scope		
Last FY's Cost Estimate		0
Appropriation Request	FY10	0
Supplemental Appropriation Request		750
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation		0
Expenditures / Encumbrances		0
Unencumbered Balance		0
Partial Closeout Thru	FY07	0
New Partial Closeout	FY08	0
Total Partial Closeout		0

### COORDINATION

Bethesda Chevy Chase Regional Services Center (BCC)  
Bethesda Urban Partnership  
Montgomery Bicycle Action Group (MCBAG)  
Montgomery Bike (MOBIKE)  
Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission  
Maryland State Highway Administration  
Bethesda CBD Streetscaping  
Maryland Mass Transit Administration  
Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority (WMATA)  
Base Realignment & Closure (BRAC)  
Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA)  
North Bethesda Transportation Management District (NBTMD)  
National Institutes of Health (NIH)  
National Naval Medical Center (NNMC)

### MAP

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## **BRAC Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities -- No. 501000 (continued)**

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Community Planning Assistance Funds Grant Agreement (Bethesda NNMC Federal Identifier RA0625-09-03) with the County on behalf of the Department of Defense.